

1 _____ BILL NO. _____
2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)
4 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REMOVING REFERENCES TO AND REPEALING THE BOARD
6 OF RESEARCH AND COMMERCIALIZATION TECHNOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 90-1-120, MCA;
7 REPEALING SECTION 2-15-1819, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 **Section 1.** Section 90-1-120, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"90-1-120. Trade activities.** The department of commerce through its state trade expansion program
13 or an equivalent program shall:

14 (1) promote the state through trade show delegations at key events regionally, nationally, and
15 globally;

16 (2) work with the Montana agriculture development council, the tourism advisory council, the Montana
17 manufacturing extension center, ~~the Montana board of research and commercialization technology,~~ the state
18 workforce innovation board, and other state and national entities to improve funding for and access to
19 supportive services for rural-based, veteran-owned, minority-owned, and women-owned businesses;

20 (3) work with local chambers of commerce, the governor's office of economic development, certified
21 regional development corporations, and other economic development organizations in this state to inform
22 citizens in this state in the most cost-effective manner possible of the services available through the
23 department."

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25 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Repealer.** The following sections of the Montana Code Annotated are
26 repealed:

27 2-15-1819. Board of research and commercialization technology.

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